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In re the Application of:

HANSEN, et al.

Art Unit: 1653

Application No.: 09/894,030

Examiner: Bugaisky, Gabriele E.

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For: CONSTRUCTION OF A STRUCTURAL VARIANT OF SUBLANCIN TO  
FACILITATE ITS ISOLATION AND USE IN BIOREMEDIATION OF  
ENVIRONMENTAL CONTAMINATION BY GRAM-POSITIVE SPORE  
FORMERS SUCH AS *BACILLUS ANTHRAXIS*

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: October 10, 2002

Sir:

Further to the Restriction Requirement dated September 18, 2002, the following  
is submitted as a full and complete Response thereto.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-23 are pending in this application.

A Restriction Requirement was made in the Office Action dated September 18,  
2002. In the Restriction Requirement the claims were divided in the following manner:

Invention I: directed to Claims 1-8, and 15-23, drawn to a chimeric sublancin  
peptide, a method of its purification, and a method of  
decontamination using the peptide; and


Invention II: directed to Claims 9-14, drawn to a method of making a  
chimeric sublancin peptide via recombinant DNA technology.

Applicant herein elects Invention 1 (Claims 1-8 and 15-23) for prosecution  
without traverse.

In the event this paper is not timely filed, Applicant hereby petitions for an  
appropriate extension of time. The fee for this extension may be charged to Applicant's  
Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

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No. 01-2300, referring to client-matter number 108172-00058.

Respectfully submitted,



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